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Applicant:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING OF RESPONSE UNDER RULE 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Petition is filed with the Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed 03 January 2003. The time period for submission of this Amendment was set to expire 03 April 2003.

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for an extension of time of three (3) months for filing the Amendment in the above-identified application, such extension to expire 03 July 2003, which time is within the statutory period.

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The Fee set in Rule 1.17 for the above-period is enclosed. If there is any deficiency or overage in the Fee required for the above-requested extension, please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 19-3550. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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